

thrown out by the court. It's probably...would be the best solution to the problem. Unfortunately, I don't think that's probably the way to go about passing legislation. So I will have to study the question of constitutionality and possibly offer an amendment later in dealing with it. But I do feel that we do need to change the sunset provisions to at least to a compromise position of 1990. It should give more than enough time for the tech colleges as well as the university and state colleges to start to formulate ideas on how we can coordinate higher education and save the taxpayers in the State of Nebraska additional money through doing away with administrative cost. Thank you.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Thank you. May I introduce a guest of Senator Shirley Marsh over under the south balcony, if you'd direct your attention over there. We have with us Mr. Jan Gippo from St. Louis and he plays with the St. Louis symphony and he is going to play tonight with the Nebraska Chamber Orchestra and he plays the piccolo and the flute soloist. So would you welcome Mr. Gippo with us this morning. So, Mr. Gippo, play pretty tonight, will you. Thank you for being with us. Senator Hoagland, please. The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do. The question is, shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. We're voting on ceasing debate, if we could have your help, please. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 5 nays to cease debate.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Vard Johnson to close.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, before I take my allocated time to close, I feel that I have slighted Senator Howard Lamb who is just back from awful, awful surgery and he would like to make a few remarks about this amendment and the bill.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Lamb, please.

SENATOR LAMB: Yes, I'm a cripple. Thank you, Mr. President and members. I rise to support Senator Vard Johnson's amendment. It's been evident to me from the beginning that the original bill provided an excessive increase in property tax capabilities for those technical community colleges. Western now has a levy of 9.51 and to go up to 12 is a ridiculous amount. Others are even more excessive than